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In re the Application of:

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For: A SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND A METHOD OF MANUFACTURING  
THE SAME

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-  
identified patent application as indicated below.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

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After the title, insert the following section:

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is a continuation of Application No.  
10/123,242 filed April 17, 2002 which is a division of  
Application No. 09/920,942 filed August 3, 2001.